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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: CYCLIC PEPTIDES AND AIDS VACCINES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

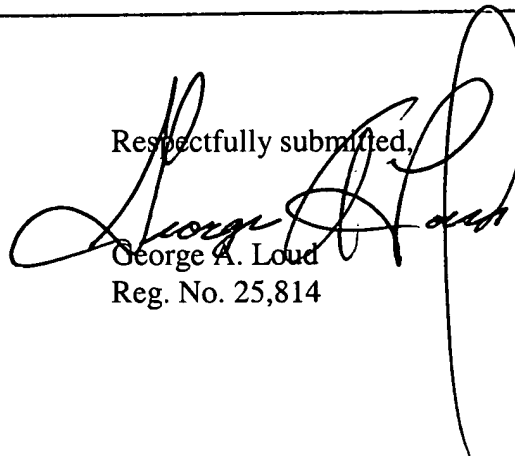
Please amend the captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please rewrite claim 4 as follows:

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4. (Amended) Cyclic peptides as claimed in Claim 1, wherein a substituent group is bonded to at least one active group selected from among the carboxyl, amino and hydroxyl groups contained in the cyclic peptides.

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4. (Amended) Cyclic peptides as claimed in Claim 1 [Claims 1, 2 or 3], wherein a substituent group is bonded to at least one active group selected from among the carboxyl, amino and hydroxyl groups contained in the cyclic peptides.

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